

Figure S1. Co-localization of *nos* and *pgc* is detected at stage 10 and increases into early embryogenesis, Related to Figures 1 and 2.

(A-F) Confocal z-series projections at the posterior cortex of stage 10-13 oocytes and pre-cellular embryos labeled with probes for nos (magenta) and pgc (green; A-E) or gfp (green; F). In all images, the oocyte/embryo is oriented with posterior to the right, indicated by the asterisk in (A). (G-H) Quantification of co-localization in oocytes/embryos corresponding to (A-F). Red bars: percentage of nos particles detected that are co-localized with pgc particles (G) and pgc particles detected that are co-localized with nos (H) as a function of distance from the posterior pole; blue bars: co-localization between a non-localizing transcript, gfp-tub-3'UTR, and nos (G) or pgc (H). Scale bar in (A) applies to (A-F). Values shown are mean \pm S.E.M, $n \ge 4$ oocytes.

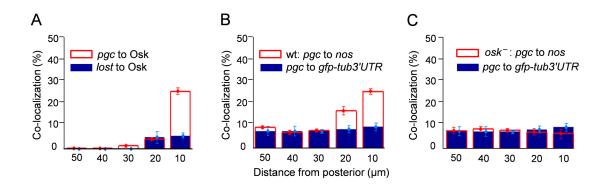


Figure S2. Co-population of granules by single *pgc* transcripts with one or more *nos* transcripts, Related to Figure 2.

(A) Quantification of co-localization of single-transcript pgc particles with Osk-GFP (red bars) compared to co-localization of a non-localizing mRNA, lost, with Osk-GFP (blue bars) as a function of distance from the posterior pole. (B, C) Quantification of co-localization of single-transcript pgc particles and nos in wild-type (red bars, B) and osk mutant oocytes (red bars, C) as a function of distance from the posterior pole. Blue bars show frequency of co-localization between single-transcript pgc particles and a non-localizing transcript, gfp-tub-3'UTR. Values shown are mean \pm S.E.M; $n \ge 4$ oocytes.

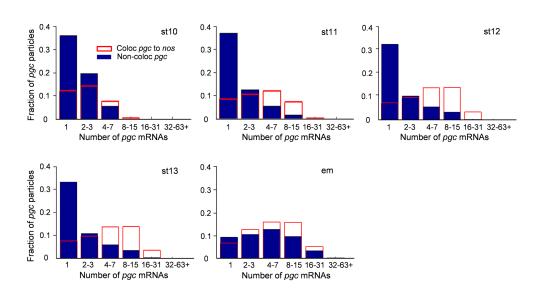


Figure S3. Growth dynamics of *pgc* homotypic clusters, Related to Figure 3.

Distribution of *pgc* particles, binned by mRNA content, that are co-localized with at least one *nos*

mRNA (red bars) compared to the distribution of *pgc* particles that do not co-localize with *nos* (blue bars), from stage 10 to early embryo (em).

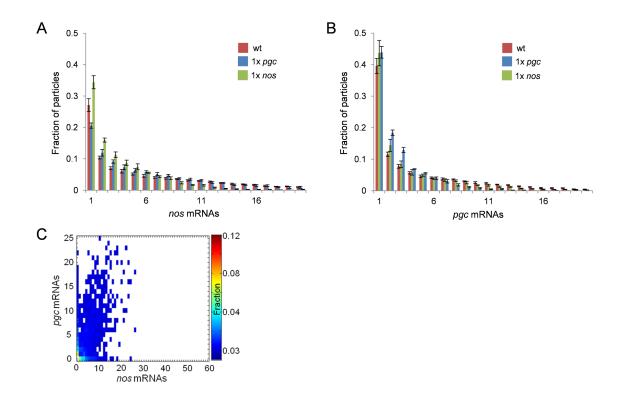


Figure S4. Effect of decreasing *nos* or *pgc* on particle size distributions, Related to Figure 5 (A) Size distributions of *nos* particles in wild-type (wt, red), $1 \times pgc$ (blue), and $1 \times nos$ (green) oocytes. P-value for wt vs $1 \times pgc$ is 0.65; p-value for wt vs $1 \times nos$ is <.0001. (B) Size distributions of *pgc* particles in (wt, red), $1 \times pgc$ (blue), and $1 \times nos$ (green) oocytes. P-value for wt vs $1 \times nos$ is 0.94; p-value between wt vs $1 \times pgc$ is <.0001. Values shown are mean \pm S.E.M.; $n \ge 4$ stage 13 oocytes. P-values were determined using the Kolmogorov-Smirnov test (ktest2 command in Matlab). (C) Census of *nos* and/or *pgc* transcripts resident in each granule, demarcated by Osk-GFP, in stage 13 1x *nos* oocytes.

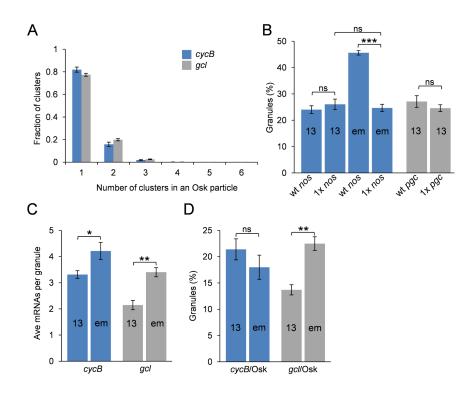


Figure S5. Additional analyses of multiple homotypic clusters, Related to Figure 6.

(A) Distributions of the number of homotypic clusters detected per germ granule (marked by Osk-GFP) in the early embryo for cycB and gcl; n > 5 embryos, >6,000 particles (B) The proportion of germ granules that contain more than one homotypic nos or pgc cluster in wild-type (wt), 1x nos, or 1x pgc stage 13 oocytes and early embryo, n > 6 oocytes. (C, D) Comparison of germ granule cycB or gcl content (C) and occurrence of granules with multiple cycB or gcl clusters (D) between stage 13 oocytes and early embryos. Values shown are mean \pm S.E.M. ns (not significant), *p<0.05, **p<0.01, as assessed by Student's t-test.